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- -- Notice to Comply
- -- Letter w/Date-Stamped Filing Receipt; Preliminary Amendment; Sequence Listing filed September 29, 2000 attached

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LETTER

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Sir:

Responsive to the Notice to Comply dated December 1, 2000, Applicants submit that a Sequence Listing was filed with the present Application on September 29, 2000. The present application is a Divisional of U.S. Serial No. 08/846,234, filed April 28, 1997. Thus, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.821(e), Applicants have requested the Office to use the computer readable Sequence Listing filed in the Parent Application on November 15, 1999. As evidence of the submission, Applicants provide a copy of the Preliminary Amendment, the Sequence Listing and the date-stamped filing receipt. Accordingly, Applicants believe no new submissions are required. An action on the merits and allowance of the claims is solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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The following has been received in the U.S. Patent Office on the date stamped hereon:

■ 41 pp. Specification & 12 Claims/Drawings 7 Sheets

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